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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION **PURSUANT TO MPEP 1485**

Attention: Certificate of Correction Branch Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Patentee notes that Patent No. 7,714,121 is involved in Patent Interference No. 105,791. In that interference, Patentee filed Scarlato Miscellaneous Motion 1 (Paper 55, dated September 8, 2011), requesting authorization to file the Request for Certificate of Correction of Scarlato's involved patent 7,714,121 that is being filed with this statement. Also being filed with the Request for Interference is Decision on Motions – Bd.R. 125(a) (Paper 113, dated November 15, 2011) from Patent Interference No. 105,791 (the "Decision"). As indicated on page 8 of the Decision, the Board has authorized the filing of the Request for Certificate of Correction that is being filed with this statement. Therefore, Patentee respectfully asserts that the requirements set forth in MPEP 1485 for issuance of a Certificate of Correction for a patent involved in an interference have been met.

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In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No.: 03-1952** referencing **Docket No. 223002099101**. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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